A VOICE

From the Echoless Shore.

A NARRATIVE

Remarkable Phenomenal Events.

Psychical Researchers, Read and Reflect.

ELLA WILSON MARCHANT. II.

In the Spring of 1893 I had a desire to write out this experience for the Psychical Review, published in Boston, the organ of the American so I wanted to get those two questions anplete story, or as much of one as it was likely to obtain after all these years. But how ing them. ing his light under a bushel for years, and only now and then a privileged one may obtain the as possible, I also wrote to Mrs. J. J. Whitney, dition to get the entire story from the uncle."

November 1st, "The entire story of the uncle benefit of his truly wonderful powers-and he of George. I had heard of her guide, William will be told you soon through me." November does not work for pay, and is, therefore, nei- H. Saulsbury, who claims to have been executed 19th, "My guide tells me that I will see you, ther a professional nor a "commercial" medium, and, inasmuch as he absolutely refuses to have

I had also heard of Mayflower; but I had never the uncle." his name given to the public, he can not be said heard of George; and I was somewhat in- In order, as I thought, to facilitate the matter in-

matter than the standard part of the standard part lic.) You will not only be doing me a fovor, but more especially will you favor the society of Psychical Research, and the world at large.

"Sincerely your niece,
"Ella Wilson Marchant." Thursday, June 1, 189

This letter I copied so as to retain a duplia small one—sealed the envelope, and placed a two-cent Columbian stamp over the point of the sealing place. Then I addressed a few lines to the medium, stating that the sealed envelope contained questions that I was desirous of have contained questions that I was desirous of have without their taking entire control of me, and I without their taking entire control of me, and I dislike that very much."

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"15. Will you give me to without their taking entire control of me, and I dislike that very much." chical or spiritualistic experience, that I was thinking of writing out for the Psychical Review. I gave him no clue whatever to the nature of the questions, nor had be ever obtained. The strange conduct he speaks of was nothing more than a rather abrupt departure; but as he was intending to leave town by train, I make as to what use I may make of the nan merely thought he had suddenly remembered. ture of the questions, nor had he ever obtained the name of this relative in any possible manner from me, as I had never thought of him at all when I had the sitting that I have spoken of in which the medium (whom, for the sake of convenience, I will call Mr. O.) answered questions written within folded pellets. I requested ing:

"as he was intending to leave town by train, I make as to what use I may make of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name of this relative in any particulars concerning them that it may be able to give; and what friends they name of the name of the name of this relative in any possible for manner from me, as I had never thought of him at all when I have spoken of in that it was time to be going. But it seems the spirits desired to voice something through "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Try to give me as many of the name "16. Tr tions written within folded pellets. I requested ing: the return of the sealed letter, as a matter of

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CHICAGO, ILL., June 15, 1893.

"Mrs. Ella Wilson Marchant:

"Dear Madam: Yours of June 1st forwarded me from home, duly received. Excuse the delay in answering. Have attended the great World's Fair to the extent of neglecting everything else. I start for home next Monday.

"I pray you under no circumstances to divulge my name in this matter, as my family is bitterly opposed to the cause.

you?' "I get a little more, but can't reduce it to time, and said:

With this letter came my sealed letter, bearing no appearance of having been tampered October 12th he wrote: with. That sealed letter, along with a written account of the story up to a certain date, was sent to the secretary of the Psychical Research Society for examination, although, as I stated (and I expressed my regret that I had not foreseen and provided against such a condition), I could not permit it be opened because it would disclose the identity of the medium, and I was in honor bound not to disclose that. I merely wished them to see the condition in which the letter came back to me, and then return it to me, when I would open it and see if with. That sealed letter, along with a writturn it to me, when I would open it and see if Psychical Research Society. But before doing the contents were as I originally placed them, and let them know. This was done, I finding account, viz., Mormons. Comments thereon are swered, thinking that I then should have a comhaving written and placed them, and so appris- "more-much more" was promised, I should

should I accomplish it? My opportunities for Some weeks passed away before I took an ever, I eagerly followed on, in the hope of obconsulting good mediums were very rare. I other step; and then I wrote again to Mr. O., taining materials for something like a verificastudied over it for some time, and then my enclosing another sealed letter to my uncle, in tion of the story. The complete narrative was mind reverted to a medium of wonderful pow-er, with whom I had accidentally (if there are letter, that he would "explain all to me," "pro-ways promised when that meeting should be any accidents) become acquainted a few viding," I said, "it is in your power to make had. October 20th, he wrote again: "I have months previous. This medium-once promi- the promise good at the present time." And, in the strong impression that I will meet you mently before the public as such-has been hid- order to have the chain of evidence as complete when I go South; then will try and be in con to be working for fame or notoriety. He had, clined to think there might be some mistake of obtaining a connected account, and to secure through automatic writing, answered ques- about it. I wrote very briefly, merely asking points for possible verification, I prepared the tions written within folded pellets, to my en-tire satisfaction; and I now determined to send would not only be doing me a favor, but the and his party, their journey and their mounts

"Yours received some days ago. It has been impossible to get any more. Can not come in rapport with the spirit you desire.

"My guide, Dr. Bartlett [I give a fictitious name], tells me it is not time yet.

ame), tells me it is not time yet.
"I expect to go south to San Diego, and Los cate, then folded it up, wrapped it in a piece of blank paper, put it in an unaddressed envelope see you very much. Then possibly we can sit

some day.

"Hello! Potter is here! He tells me while in back, "All I have got so far, to the sealed let "Hello! Potter is here!" He tells me while in the company of twenty-seven men, crossing the plains, five of the company became dissatisfied, and left the train, or company, and joined a band of outlaws and Indians. He, with the remaining twenty-one, were surprised and butchered, their bodies buried in the brush; and that two of the scoundrels are living to-day; have raised interesting families and for that reason would not divulge their names."

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control coming in suddenly broke that spirit some party had probably been massacred there, sent me, and yet get nothing-only Not not and conjecture connected the lost party with am sorely disappointed, as it seldom falls chain.

"It is not right now to tell you all the details of the attack by the Indians. There are now living two white men that were more to blame than the Indians. Some day, not far distant, and through this medium, your uncle forbes Potter, not George, will explain all to you?"

and conjecture connected the lost party with the days of the "gold fever." I also asked him the days of the "gold fever." I also asked him me at the house of my sister, in Los Angele Sunday, December 17th, Sunday being the Sunday, December 17th, Sunday being the plaining that he had been on the move all the whose sent freight teams "across the plains," messenge tween government forts, etc.

The letters now followed in rapid succession

"I will be in Los Angeles next month, but feat

"More-much more-when I see you."

Here a new element is introduced into the have thought the story was about all told. How all comes back to me! I can give you the story

outlaws? What tribe of Indians?

"8. What tribe of Indians?
"9. How many Mormons were connected wi

Can you give any of their names?

"11. What were the character and nativ of the outlaws associated with the Indians? "12. What was the name of the Indian chie
"13. What white people—freighters, mosengers, or others—did you meet, pass, or s
between your starting place and your fire

g:
or give all the information asked for, t
"There is some one that rushes in every time please answer what you can, and give whate

I try to get the information you desire. * * * of information lies in your power."

My control tells me all will be explained to you when we meet.

"I will go to San Diego Sunday. Fear I can not come to San Bernardino, but will see you come day."

This list I sent in a sealed, letter to Mr. December 1st, requesting him to carry the ter about his person until we should meet. This list I sent in a sealed; letter to Mr. did not seem to quite understand me, and w

vulge my name in this matter, as my family is bitterly opposed to the cause.

"Your letter before me gives me great strength, and hope the answer will be direct and satisfactory. * * * "Answers to questions as I get them:

"I not only tried to give you my pame through the medium named, but later, and was crowded out on each occasion. The mediums were of a weak and feeble organization, not developed to the higher phase, and prepared to take on outside influences—in other words, merely band, or body control mediums. The medium you speak of has a leading control named George, and on the occasion you speak of, during the excitement of a camp-meeting, where all are anxious to be heard, possibly her control coming in suddenly broke that spirit is two of the scoundrels are living to-day; have red, their bodies buried in the brush; and that two of the scoundrels are living to-day; have raised interesting families and for that reason would not divulge their names."

It seems, by this letter, that after trying in vain to get in rapport with the spirit, while writing, and after having expressed his fear that he would not be able to visit San Bernardino, on his prospective trip, suddenly he felt the influence of my uncle's spirit presence, and received from him the foregoing statement.

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The Anniversary in Boston.—Interesting Allforw, and then was too tired to sleep, and, consequently, he felt that he was in poor condition
to give the long-promised sitting. We engaged
in general conversation for awhile, and then, as
a sort of prelude to the sitting. I read him
what I might eall the first installment of my
ancle's story, which had been published in the
bodden Gute, of San Francisco, in November,
130, the story ending with the seance of Mand
tord Drake. He had never before heard my
part of the story, except in a very abbreviated
form, written to him in one of my letters, after
the had written me what had come to him contensing it. Even that he had now forgotten,
the said it had gone from him, and he seemed
unable to recall it. Then I began to review our
correspondence, and got as far as the third letter written by him, when, while I was reading
the paragraph which began with the exclamation. "Helple," Patter had not because the seances. At his
invitation I went down to Stratford and called
upon Dr. Phelps, The family bad all left the
house for needed rest. "Yesterday morning,"
he had swith the united observances of the
said through left the house for needed rest. "Yesterday morning,"
he had may be engaged
in the the united observances of the
sundly stood to
where it now rests, and a piece of music came
up and rested on the stand."

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17th a writing. Once more, I request you to truthfully refrain from making me public in this matter.

"You speak about pay for my services. I am beyond that—don't need money—but light, and more spirit power; and am getting my pay that way from my good spirit guides," etc.

"I find out the bones you speak of in Arizona were not those of Forbes Potter. I will get you the entire story some day, not far distant."

"The letter came my speaked letter by the latter came my speaked letter."

"You ask me if I knew Mrs. Whitney's control. I never saw the lady but once, never spoke to ther—would not know her if I should see her to day—and know nothing of her control.

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> Supposing that it would be written though stions which he had recently burned. By and friends. ermission, I sealed the envelope, and laid fore him. Among the questions I had were, What tribe of Indians had engaged massacre? and, What was the name of

e medium held a pencil in his hand, and, aflittle waiting for the spirit to obtain conthe following was written:

hat a bunch of nervous material—ugly es—you have. You want all at one time. now want to go into the Injun business. do you suppose your Uncle Forbes would will hear much to-day and about all you ill hear.

d bowed upon his hand, ready to repeat the harmonies of each session. atever might come to him. I interrupted to ke a note of the first statement made, ifear-

same year, he and his friend left St. Louis California. At first there were about two dred in the party, but they divided up, for reason and another-some wanted to go one e, some another; some wanted to do this, some wanted to do that; until the party aining Forbes Potter and Joel Richardson bered only twenty seven men, and they the Central Route. At Nebraska City they some trouble-a quarrel, or something of kind (the spirit expressed unwillingness to nto details concerning the affair), and five left the party, and joined a band of outand Indians, and in two or three days afard attacked the emigrants, but were red, and three of the five renegades were In traveling through Nebraska the ems passed nearly eleven hundred Mormons to Utah. They traveled faster than the nons did, and so they passed them. The renegades, bent on revenge, and their astes equally bent on plunder, followed on ath of the emigrants, and, by misrepreng them to the Mormons, succeeded in Is their countenance and support, and ten s after the attack near Nebraska City, at Sht, while the emigrants were sound P, in their camp on the South Platte river, tole upon and murdered every one of burying their bodies, as was once before d, in the brush, and the changes of the tte river have, since that time, washed away y vestige of the remains; and, hence, the ession in a former communication: left to tell the tale."

(To be Concluded.)

he paragraph which began with the exclama- Union celebrated the anniversary with appro-"Hello! Potter is here!-he suddenly priate exercises, many talented speakers and apped his hand to his forehead, and exclaimed, singers contributing to the enjoyment of the

band, I made haste to get a little table near quarters here secured are commodious and elewith a writing tablet placed upon it. I gant, and the Ladies' Aid is to be congratulated in an envelope, a copy of the same list of in its change of accommodations for its patrons

"My first wife spelled out her maiden name and how long she had been in the spirit—less spelling her baby's name. Facts followed facts, then my future mediumship was predicted, which after two years came true, and has been with me ever since."

Mr. Hull spoke at length upon the origin and his to hange of accommodations for its patrons and friends.

In the afternoon of Friday the public was entertained, under the auspices of this society, by musical numbers and vocal selections from Miss Amanda Balley, the sweet and phenomenal singer of Salem: Mr. Chas. W. Sullivan, and Miss Burnett. These artists, together with the Longley Quartet, furnished much of the musical part of the exercises of all the meetings at this place until the close of the exercises late on Saturday night. J. Frank Baxter also largely contributed to the pleasure of the large assemblies of both evenings by several stirring vocal selections, Mr. Sullivan assisting him at different times. Mr. Sullivan assisting him at different marks of an previous demonstrative marks of a party of the speaker of individualism.

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accordingly, composed himself, with his Mason in her sweet singing added largely to

On Saturday Miss Harlow made a fine address; Mrs. Waterhouse spoke many truths to the acto trust to my memory. But he said, "I ceptance of all; Mrs. Sarah Byrnes delivered an Il have to give it to you as it comes to me, eloquent discourse replete with beauty and in-I shall loose it." So there was nothing for it struction; Mrs. Longley delivered words appro-

nearly forty meetings by Spiritualists were

conducted on that day in the city.

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ualism.

Mrs. M. T. Longley, M. D., made the invocation, and pronounced the benediction at the morning ceremonies. The audience was welcomed by President William H. Banks. The leading numbers on the morning program were a talk by Dr. H. B. Storer, the venerable president of the Censor Bay Grove Association, and of the Veteran Spiritualist Association, and an address by Moses Hull, president of the Chicago Spiritualists' Temple.

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Dr. Storer was introduced by the president, and related the history of his conversion to Spiritualism as follows:

Spiritualism as follows:

"The calendar indicates that we have made forty seven stops on the spiritual highway, but the calendar does not indicate the progress made in public opinion since the dawn of Modern Spiritualism. I have been a Spiritualist for forty-five years, and the joys and blessings of my life I attribute to this source. I BEGAN BY DENYING.

"I began as ignorance usually begins, by denying the manifestations. My friend, an editor of a country journal, had been down to Eliken Phelps and published the wonderful manifestations said to have happened there. I sent out word to him that I would not attempt to build up my journal on the basis of sensational stories. He came in to see me, and I saw that he was

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completion of the half century the erection and maintenance of hospitals and homes conducted for and by Spiritualists.

The greatest success of the afternoon was achieved by Mrs. May S. Pepper, who was set down on the program for "delineations." She is one of that class of "test mediums" who profess to be continually in the presence of the spirits of those who have "passed out." She is considered one of the best in her line. She speaks a jargon supposedly English with a I shall loose it." So there was nothing for it to listen attentively, and note down the morphal statements how and when I could, the then fearing that my action would disturb to delicate conditions necessary for the transmission of the intelligence from the spirit to the medium, and through him to me.

The following is a condensed statement of that was told me:

In the Fall of 1855, Forbes Potter was in St. Sunday, March 31st, was the great day of the year to the Spiritualists of Boston and vicinity. The secular papers of Monday stated that over ten thousand advocates of our cause assembled at the meeting places in Boston, and that mental music, recitations, delineations, poems, and readings.

On this occasion the chief discourse was de-

The reports of these meetings by the daily press were fair, unprejudiced, and given in a generous spirit. Of the meetings held under the auspices of Berkeley Hall Society, the Boston Post recounts the following:

The ball-room of Odd Fellows' Hall was crowded to its utmost seating and standing capacity yesterday morning, afternoon, and evening. The occasion was the celebration by the Boston Spiritual Temple of the forty-seventh anniversary of the founding of Modern Said Post. carried by a tremendous and enthusiastic

"Aye"

The readings of Lucette Webster, Willie Sheldon, and others were full of beauty and power. The exquisite rendition of choice violin selections morning and evening by Master Charles Hatch were greatly appreciated, and the reading of a poem written for the occasion by Mrs. Longley, and read by Master Eddle Hatch, was much enjoyed. The three little granddaughters of Mr. Hull, the Misses Johnson, rendered a beautiful violin trio, and their mother, Mrs. Florence Johnson, gave a fine reading at the evening session. During the morning service Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader made appropriate remarks, voicing her interest in the occasion, and speaking a good word for the N. S. A.

The Boston Globe in closing a lengthy report of the exercises states that the general lentertainment was of a high order.

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The following were the committee of arrangements: W. H. Banks, J. H. Lewis, Mrs. C. L.
Hatch, and J. B. Hatch, Jr.
A great Boston daily estimates that there
must have been "over 3,600 persons present
during the day" at Odd Fellows' Hall.
But there were many other meetings in the
city well patronized by the spiritualistic public.
At Mr. Ayer's Back Bay Temple large concourses gathered at the different sessions of the
day. Mr. Colville lectured in his own inlimitable

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IS THERE A GOD?

EVIDENCES OF DESIGN. ire, Like Man, Has an Infinite

tricity vs. intulliperer,

REV. L. J. WHAVER,

in my last article I attempted to show that As fast as the changes occur they are trans- tent from the standpoint of observation which by the discoveries of science the fact has been established that there exists an infinite, invisities, and incomprehensible Power, that this step.

And incomprehensible Power, that this step.

the Bible as authority, repiles in the affinative. alive.

quidity of matter.

All this relationship of part to part, reveals As animal organisms became more numerous. In my next article I shall examine the quescomes the cause of some other effect.

The mind looking at these visible facts sees, fers from the same apparatus of the sea animals or thinks it sees, in their existence and in the because of the tendency in each organism to special adaptation of means to ends, a design, a adapt itself to its surroundings. purpose, a mind that has an object in view. Its | It must be remembered that these developline of reasoning is simply this.

see the engine so constructed that the power of account consistently for her os steam is applied to the wheels of the foromother. Though Darwi this of means to ends. But the fact that the rosts of trees allo in the soil elements of mass as a machine to accomplish certain ends above and sampled to the growth of the tree, is equally an offer to retain life, it is necessary the blood of the human system shall come in contact with the oxygen of the air. What work of man displays more intelligence to accomplish that purpose, than the construction of the human system shall come in contact with the oxygen of the air. What work of man displays more intelligence to accomplish that purpose, than the construction of the human system shall come in contact with the oxygen of the air. What work of man displays more intelligence to accomplish the same end. Some things said the whole breathing aparatus? The telescope and have whole breathing aparatus? The telescope and have whole breathing aparatus? The telescope and have whole breathing aparatus? The telescope and the whole who are not purpose, and they are thing aparatus? The telescope and the whole the amount of the lungs and the whole the same end. Some things will be added to the side of the same purpose, and the statement that the first, second, and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, that legislators and the man of the lungs and and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, that legislators and the scale of the man and that is, heat and light to the production of life. Every us see. where our eyes are turned. Nature swarms with evidences of intelligent purpose.

Architect" and the "Great Designer."

he terms, Natural Selection.

evolution is, that the material universe, located He is absolutely unreliable. with vegetable and animal organisms, came in- Thus we must conclude nature would be if she tached to them the conceptions which his ma to its present form, not byjcreative force from lacked intelligence without, but by the law of evolution from But nature is unlike this in every respect. No This is the reason that the Bible is such a mys

There was a time when life on earth did not sistent and reliable.

and finally treaks info two pasts, and each part linear in Spiritualism. becomes an animal. From this beginning alon On a bountiful June morning I go one to by sirp, one species of animal life after modiler my garden and I behold a freeh red rose, to wire evolved, the last a little higher than the more beautiful and fragrant than that my a Reviewing the Law of Cause and Effect, one before, till the whole animal creation came get wife painted on the sinte. And pr

every living organism, thus produced by the in my garden, I behold this living rose while law of evolution, there inheres a natural two- knew no mortal hand had made, was I dency to adapt limit to its environments. As vinced that no more power put that rune there Durwin and Muslay - State-Writing - Electric they change, the organism changes to meet the but intelligence. There are people who requirements of the new conditions; and all or behold the rose on the slate and yet does ganisms which fall to make the required change was the result of invisible intelligence; so or fall to make it soon enough, periab. So there are those who deay the living rose the Huxley has termed this law the "survival of work of an infinite intelligence. But to the or the fittest."

united whole and that every part of it pulsales ditions, a common ringed snake, which in its na- with her castles of atone and her cathedrals of question, Does that Power possess intelligence? viviparous-instead of breeding by eggs, itsus- glories, in its vast embrace.

Scientists are somewhat reticent on this in the midst of light and sound, its offspring, in flowers, and fruits. The factory is the embodipoint, and when they do speak they differ in the lapse of ages, developed the first crude be- ment of mind. Analogy would teach that at

rainfall does not spread over the land except mere beginning of legs, and poorly adapted to the for himself. cessary, and faint glimpses of it began to dawn. ity of man.

the law of cause and effect, which, so far as can means of self-defence began to appear in anbe discovered, has no beginning and no end. swer to the need, and horns and claws and Outside of it nothing exists. Without it all is other protective agencies commenced their ap Written for the Light of Tactu. chaos. As we travel back into the past, every pearance, feebly at first, but growing stronger cause becomes the effect of some other cause; with use; those animals perishing whose organas we go on into the future, every effect be- isms failed to respond to the demand of nature. By the Sword it made Ireland a Harp, of The breathing aparatus of land animals dif-

ments were not accomplished in any baste, but When we see with what ease and safety a that they stretched over 100,000,000 years of

purpose is not less plainly in sight. When we excluded the need of intelligence in nature to

mind has not yet found out? There is much turally to its environments from a self-acting yet in nature to be learned. There is, however, inward law is itself an argument for intelliabundant proof of intelligence we do see. How gence within. For whence came the "inherent worship. the fish is adapted to the water; the stomach tendency" to thus adapt itself? Does not "into the digestion of food, the foot to locomotion; herent tendency" necessitate intelligence? Let stract ideas. His brain had not developed to

The changes produced by "inherent tendency" have been from the very first, and coming down possible for him. He had no god, devil, heaven, This is called "the argument from design." It through millions of years, have always con- or hell. His great and mighty one, lord of has been relied upon for ages to prove the exis- tinued to be, in one and the same direction, viz., heaven and earth, was the sun. His Paratence of a God, both by Christian and Pagan, by from the lower to the higher. Would this natural- dise, Elysian Fields, Garden of Eden were the believer and skeptic, by Socrates, Paley, and ly be the case if these changes were the pro- rose-tinted clouds of even tide. His Tartarus Voltaire; and by it God was termed the "Divine duct of power alone, without intelligence? To or his hell was some rumbling volcano, vomit answer this intelligently, we must look around ing fire and smoke, or some stagnant and fever-But when Darwin declared his doctrine of us and see if we can find an example of simple breeding body of water. His immaculate vir-"Natural Selection" it fell with destructive power, without intelligence. Can we find such gin that gave birth to Jesus, "The true light force upon this argument from design. Per- an example? Yes, in the idiot or in the man which lighteth every man that cometh into the haps it is an overstatement to say it destroyed who has "softening of the brain." In him we world," was the bright and beautiful dawn it, but it certainly weakened it. With no see power without intelligence. And what do from which is born the sun. (Christ Jesus sigthoughtful mind does it have its former we behold? Acts which are in no way related nifles sunlight, and his reputed birthday, the to each other and which tend to no definite end; 25th of December, was the birthday of the sun, Darwin admits all the facts of the adaptation acts fragmentary and disconnected, incorsis- just rising out of the winter solstice.) of every living organism to its environment, tent and contradictory; acts which are just the Thus can be traced to their simple beginning. on which the argument from design is built, but opposite of those we see in nature. Of course, nearly all of the mysterious and miraculous he accounts for the law of adaptation in a dif- the acts of a man devoid of intelligence, may tales; not only of the Bible, but of other literaferent manner. He says it comes, from what be for a while, consistent and connected, but ture of ancient times as well. As man has adwhen they are so, it is by chance. There is no vanced in his evolution, and has developed the To understand his argument it is necessary "inherent tendency" to act to a certain end. No power of forming concepts apart from objective to consider what he teaches. His doctrine of dependence can be placed on what he may do. things, he has lost sight of the meanings of the

merely finite intelligence can be found so con- tery. Evil thoughts and acts have been per

exist. By a natural union of elements, along Again, out of all the works of man, no where and the sometimes beautiful and poetic lan the sea shore, vegetable life appeared in the is there display of intelligence, equal to what guage of the past has been interpreted accord form of sea weed. About the same time on the we behold in nature. I went once to a slate lingly. This book in its present form, by being ocean bed existed a slimy substance which writing medium, and after holding the slates, imperfectly translated, and wrongly under science has named protoplasm. If a speck of united by a rubber band, in my hands for a stood, has been the great hindrance to human this be taken up and examined, it is seen to be a couple of minutes, I opened them, and on one of advancement. Its teachings, and the real of small globule of a jelly-like substance, with them was a beautiful red rose. The paint was its fanatical expounders, drove science and consistency enough not to break apart as it is not yet dry. Of what did that convince me? It knowledge from the earth, almost caused the rolled over in the hand, with no head, nor feet, convinced me that it was intelligence which extinction of reason and plunged the world in nor limbs, nor any organs at all, apparently put that rose there. An incredulous friend to the night of the Dark Ages. lifeless, with no color and no definite form; a said, "Might it not have been done by electric-speck of thickened water; yet this is an animal ity?" I replied, "Electricity does often leave history, and millions of brave men have per the first animal that ever existed on earth. It the traces of its presence, but its traces are ished in its battles. It has retarded the world's is called a moneron. It has no lungs, but 'helter skelter,' like the scratching of the fowl breathes all over. It has no digestive apparatus, but when a fragment of food comes gence." And my friend was silent. He knew whatever is natural is wrong, and whatever is

Philosophy and Facts. is seither main nor female but propagates its could do that. It was that instance, together philosophy and paster in the middle with many more similar, that made me a

with the medium, I was convinced the rose of The doctrine of Natural Sciention is that in the slate was the work of intelligence, as well ny, in either case, is not rational nor com-

hie, and incomprehensible Power, that this step.

To illustrate this inherent tendency of an animind and could not have been but for late!

To illustrate this inherent tendency of an animind and could not have been but for late! it hinds that universe into an organized and mai organism to adapt itself to its external con- gence; so when I open my eyes upon nature.

The moneron had no eyes nor ears, but living activity, showing results in trees, grange-

CHRISTIANITY IN THE PAST.

Spain a Guitar, and of Italy a Hand-Organ.

A RADICAL REVIEW.

F. J. MACOMBER.

I think it will be readily admitted by all in-

traced to their common origin, sun or nature

Primitive man was not capable of forming ab that point The meaning which we now attach to some of the words which he used were not

words which he used in his childhood, and atturer and more perfect brain has evolved

sonified as angry gods and malignant demons

to it, it spreads itself around it and holds it in as I knew, that mere power did not put that unnatural is right. "Blessed be they that its embrace, till it absorbs what is nutrient. It rose on the slate. Nothing but intelligence mourn," "Be afflicted, mourn and weep, let your

what ye shall cut, or what ye shall drink, nor for your body, what ye shall put on." "Bodily exercise (redicts but little,"

Curistianity has reduced whole nations to precety and deepest ignorance. In the words of Ingersoil, it has made Ireland a harp, Spain a guitar, and Italy a bandorgan. These are a few results of man's ignorance, ignorance of himself, and of his relation to nature and THE PLAYFORM OF EXPEDIENCY AND PRINCIPLE. hence, the Senate, which is a check on the population of the population nature's laws; and the great stronghold ignorance has been the Bible and the printing Church. Yet, in the face of these admitted facts, in the nineteenth century, and with the brilliant sun of Spiritualism showering its bright rays of knowledge and wisdom upon their minds, we see people gathering themselves in bodies under the name of spiritualism, and adopting as a specific title the name of a book or a religion which has done sink it in ignorance and unnaturalism.

Why the prefixes? Is not Spiritualism true? sways the scepter of eternal truth. The former is it not capable of standing on its own merits? bolsters up shams and offers apologies for hy-The object of this article is to consider the no sand was strewn, and it became holding all these and all other of Nature's not the course to throw off the bondage of the course to the co The object of this article is to consider the in which no sand was strewn, and it became noting an its vast embrace.

In which no sand was strewn, and it became noting in which no sand was strewn, and it became noting an its vast embrace.

In which no sand was strewn, and it became noting in which no sand seer our own self-hood? What is it past and assert our own self-hood? What is it coursely be that Caristianity can mean that Spiritualism that Caristianity can mean that Spiritualism that Caristianity can mean that Spiritualism with dead men's bones; the latter is studded will was upon a time ushered into the spirit results in certain goods. Nature is organized does not; or what great ethical principle does with dead men's bones; the latter is studded will was upon a time dead men's bones; the latter is studded with was upon a time dead men's bones; the latter is studded with was upon a time dead men's bones; the latter is studded with erect citadels of manhood, radiant with realm of life. He was proud and overbearing. teach, that the angel world does not?

opinion. All go to Nature but from her all do ginnings of both eyes and ears, which in time ture was the same. If we can not account for many who claim that although Jesus was not opinion. All go to Nature but from her all do ginnings of both eyes and ears, which in time not get the same reply. As we approach her for examination, we are at once struck winds to the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do into being covered to the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do into being covered to the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do into being covered to the perfected themselves and ears, which in time ture was the same. If we can not account for many allows that into up the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do into being covered to the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once attack without the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves. Those that failed to do the perfected themselves are at once at the perfected themselves fact that she is actuated with the principle of the adaptation of one part to another. We see the adaptation of one part to another. We see the adaptation of one part to another. We see the adaptation of one part to another. We see very little of independence of parts and unre- of something of the kind gave birth, in the perior "workmanship." One would infer be the analogy between the miracles said to have lated action, but everywhere is visible, in all snake species, which descended from it to ment by that, that the formative power of ment by that, that the former platform are piled the ruins of dydepartments, interdependence, and mutual rescales, and among the fish species, to fins, each ture is a workman. Perhaps he did not mean produced through mediums to-day. It is an exadapted to the elements in which it was placed, that. Whether he did or not, it matters little, for ceedingly easy matter for them to prove the of fallen republics, encumbered and overgrown traducer of God! Why should I go to hell to Vegetation does not grow and life expand ex- and finally, in the higher species, to legs, which no one man can settle the question. We need Bible to be a great store-house of spiritualistic copt for the presence of sunshine and rainfall; at first were crude and flabby projections, a not dispute over it. It is for every man to setrecorded come easily within the limit of the for the winds; winds do not blow, except for their needs, but which improved with age. Not Nature is an exhaustless study. One mis structure of the latter a progressive governthe anequal distribution of heat, and heat is not much if any intelligence appeared in the mon- sees intelligence appeared in the mon unequal, except for the rotundity of the earth, eron, but the environments became such with We all easily agree, however, in one thing, the and burial, becomes a wonderful case of materiand the eart's is not round, except for the li- the increase of animal life that it became ne- boundlessness of nature and the limited capac- alization, where cabinets, etc., are not required.

The raising of Lazarus from the dead is a miracle of the loaves and fishes could be easily

A great many say they get nearly all of their ests of all promoted?" cover the cause to lie in the fact that the builder fashioned the ship to that special end. But the wing of the bird is not less equally well species.

They tell of Jacob wrestling with the angel of the Lord, and that the was only a materialized to prove the Christian religion to have had its origin in an Eastern myth, and that the spirit. All easily explained as the mediums were biblical Jesus never had an existence in act. so wonderful in those days. Baalam's ass was Research also shows that the Bible Land and only a trance medium, and spoke under ateam is applied to the wheels of the focomotive, we detect at once the intelligent adaptation of means to ends. But the fact that the sonal God who created and used nature as a machine to accomplish certain ends above and solve the sol

the story of Moses on Mont Sinal, with its dark clouds, knuder and lightings, recleving the chartest of parting the darks of active; the miracle of parting the the control of the control

THE STATUS OF LABOR: Embracing Economic Thoughts Upon

Finances. BY GEO. F. RITTERDOR.

CHAPTER IL. THEIR GOVERNING SPIRITS. - THEIR RELATIONS | lar will and a denial of the sovereignly of the AND ADVOCATES COMPARED. - THE DUTY OF THE people, should be abolished. REFORMER. - BUSINESS AND BUTY DEFINED,-A

FORNULATED DIGEST OF PRINCIPLES.

present age of civilization, as in the past, are should be abolished. erected two platforms upon which the real and written for the Lioux or Tauxs assumed leaders of humanity stand. The first so much to retard the world's progress, and her pleading wand of reconciliation; upon the aple. Upon the first, tender-eyed Mercy waves Thoughts for Reflection Written by Dictatter stern Justice, with exacting balances. bright ideas and future possibilities. The and as a natural consequence of these awful The world has a right to expect honesty and former swarms with wry-necked and weak- sins was conceited. intelligence from Spiritualists. There are kneed sycophants, who, for the sake of present He reminded me much of a man who once

> mands of Justice. Upon the rotten and error-caten structure of would like to see Thomas Paine, the saintly with the weeds of bitter disappointment, the see the enemy of man?" of its corner the heretofore rejected stone-LA- address us.

remarkable instance of spirit healing. The worker, Justice demands that what we would Standing upon the latter platform as a co- work?" duplicated by the spirit world to day, if we had such a powerful medium. Jesus walking upon such a powerful medium. Jesus walking upon "Is it practical?" "How much can we get?" or ing pit to turn us from religion?" the water is another manifestation of this won"Will it pay?" for these questions belong re "Nay, nay, but to teach it, brother. Hadst derful medium's gift. The sun standing still spectively to the advocates of Expediency, the thou been more familiar with his writings thou of Ajalon; and Elijah's ascension to beaven with ness. On the contrary, we are to inquire and kind, a benefactor of the people whom he charlot and horses of fire, must have been grand ask, "Is it true?" "What ought we to demand?" ask, "Is it true?" "What ought we to demand?" and "Will humanity be benefited and the inter-

A great many say they get nearly all of their Spiritualism from the Bible, and gravely relate business and his or her 'duty; 'for instance: the of his mighty hand," replied the neighbor. The the story of the Garden of Eden, and of the business of mere legislators and the political priest groaned. It gave him time to consider press is simply to consiler, on the platform of the statement. And when the morrow was Expediency, what acts are opportune in the come he reluctantly went to the lecture, which light of established constitution precepts and was attended by all who wanted more light. examples; but the duty of a true reformer is to | The magnificent soul of the patriot and truthplain declaration of rights, such as take na- words were like the forked lightning' that tural root and will eventually spring up in the cleaves the very heavens.

The priest was sore afraid and would have legislators agitate and enact them or not. In the language of another, "One thing is very When the lecturer closed his marvelous com

the lowest to the highest, should be elected by

the direct vote of the people.

17. That no species of property, whether in stocks, bands, or otherwise, should be exempt

from equal taxation. 18. That it should be the policy of every government to emancipate its people from in-

dustrial dependence on foreign nations. 19. That laws governing the people should be made by the people through the referendum;

20. That the executive branches of the goverament being instituted to execute the laws and In the great social and political arena of the not to obstruct them, therefore the veto power

SPIRITUAL INSTRUCTION.

tation.

BY RAYMONDE.

pared to recognize and act up to all the de- So it was with the minister before mentioned One day a neighboring spirit asked him if he

nasties, the wrecks of empires and the debris "What," he roared, "I see Thomas Paine, the

expectations; upon the solid and enduring not the traducer of God, neither was he the

"Ah, is the devil still undoing the Lord's

"Verily, friend he does not meddle more than "And has Thomas Paine come from the burn-

"He is the devil's own," cried the parson.

"Yes, brother, and the devil is the Lord's also,

promulgate and popularize a thorough and seeker was made to shine like the sun, and his

Questions Answered by Spirit John Pierpont.

Report of Seance.

Questions and Answers.

ing out into broader avenues of thought and labor for the good of humanity than it were fade away. temporal follies or pleasures, and seek for and ture, and spiritual growth.

alogous to personal property?"
A.—"None of tradesman sort."

exchange of possessions between its people. have carned them by personal effort and achievement, and no other spirit can claim or possess these fair estates do not hold them as private property in the way such would be held here, for any soul who could gain any enjoyment, comfort or help from these homes or possessions is welcome to share them. The intelligence, whose inner life is pure, humanitarian, full of lofty plans for helpful work, finds open avenues of power and expression. The deeds of such a soul corresponded to the aspirations. From his or her personal aura elements of beauty and stability may be gathered, which are woven in lovely textures, or fashioned into substantial and beautiful objects. These are his person, and make his surroundings the means of gratifying his æsthetic sense as well as affording comfort to every demand of his nature. No one can rob the individual of these possessions; they are externalized from the ideals and spiritual powers of his own life and are a part of him. On the other hand he can give of his labor, handicraft, and brain production to the enrichment of other lives, who, in turn, will afford to him something that he may be pleased to receive, and which they have the power to give. In addition to this the government which maintains there is really "of the people and for the people." Its directors of affairs are men and women of wide experience, wise judgment, and benevolent; a system of equity is established, which looks to the common weal. The needs of the humblest soul are considered in justice and love. The offices of general affairs have no honors, no emoluments, after the manner of earth, but they are conducted by the

SPIRIT MESSAGES. who are in sympathy with that soul and fashion who are in sympactry with that soft and tanama into material for the building of a dwelling, or the weaving of a fabric for his personal use. A spirit may also receive beautiful gifts from his friends, which become his personal belongings-gifts made from the elements, forces, and England. What a grand knowledge to other material of their own lives, materialized that space or distance deter us not from into external form and beauty by human skill ing out to our loved ones. Yes, William, we and will-power. These gifts he treasures as the gathered here to send forth to you our expression of love from friends, and he, in turn, love and blessings. Your Brother Henry, S presents them with some specimen of his pow-er and his good will, which he has brought into external shape and beauty from the elements at in far-away Africa, also wishes to bri

Spirit Pierpont's response. - Those of you who to hold it. The lesser, or materialistic passion living in Chicago, Ill. to rise above the environments and condefine to rise above the environments and conditions of sensuous life, even though you may be unable to do so to any great degree on earth owing to inherited tendencies or to circum owing to inherited tendencies or to circum. The miser clings to his gold, the moral impetus to arge you forward, and you will find yourselves rising higher and higher in the consciousness of inherent power, and reaching out the consciousness of inherent power, and reaching the consciousness of inherent powers are consciousness.

aspirations, and longings to learn, to grow, and Spirit Pierpont's response.—The normal, natur- join me in this greeting of love. We are all into labor in good works were yours here, that al craving of one being in spiritual life may be terested and doing all we can to aid him. Try inspire you there; but outwardly you will have entirely different from that of another. Souls to unfold to him in many ways this grand and diam most of the season, gave very satisfactory days ago. I can not say I am a Spiritualist, but changed, because the inner life is given oppor- are not all of one grade or pattern. The soul glorious truth that he may know we shall be tunity for expression, and you have risen to a of an artist craves to express its power the first to meet him when he shall be born into sides, any one could see for himself that there kind. Now I am investigating, as I had the higher estate in consequence. The dominant along one line of achievement; that of a stuappetites, sensuous feelings, and desires of a dent in other fields; that of a musician carnal-minded person, who loves the things of along another line; of a scientist in still other dithis world more than he does anything spirit- rections, while a vast number of human entities, ual, are not at first changed -nor in many in- who are neither artists, musicians, literateurs, or you through this avenue, and give proof of stances for some time after-at the death of the scientists, as these terms are understood on spirit power. I am interested in your gaining body. Just as long as the spirit is satisfied to earth, have various taste, talents, and powers, all knowledge of this truth possible, and cling to the outward things that perish, just so with a natural craving to exercise these in cerlong will his desires and appetites partake of tain lines; and to each one is given the oppor- keep open the door of your soul that the light the sensual. But there is within every sentient tunity and the avenue for which they seek the from the angel world may imbue you with perlife a flame of soul power that makes for right- normal, general, craving of spiritual life will feet understanding, and remember that amid eousness, and it is only a question of time when be for knowledge that good may grow to human- all the tormoil and strife of life, dear ones that spiritual energy will gain the ascendency ity from its possession. This craving becomes from spirit abode are with you, assisting the over all carnal attributes, and burn them away satisfied; for the great law of life is prog- best they can to help you bear your burdens of in its clear flame. Therefore every soul will, ress, and this is the result of knowledge sought in time, turn from the enjoyment and pursuit of for and obtained through study, effort, self-cul-

tell us which is probably right?

property in the spirit world is, in a certain worlds and planets-the counterpart of a human sense, held in common. A beautiful statue or painting, a lovely landscape, or a bit of garden, man being, clothed upon with spiritual attriis not considered the exclusive property of any butes and possibilities, as are other human entione, but the possession of all who can enjoy or ties; that this soul-mate has, or will at some of gratitude for the pleasure given me by does not maintain, therefore there is a free ing born on earth and coming into possession can. Tobathia Jane comes with me and of a physical body. Every individual in this greeting from our home in spirit True, there are homes, domains, attractive ap-Many do not until years have passed after the continue to seek the truth and light of in spirits have both become freed from mate- tality; so when by so-called death you rial environments. Yet no individual life can be the transition into the new life you will fashioned them. Nevertheless the owners of in activity and power of achievement until it ties, among which love and harmony reigs has met and become united with its counterpart. preme. For in the blending of the spiritualized forces and qualities of the male and female who belong to each other in the union of love and wisdom, intuition and reason, perfectly adapted to each other and harmoniously conjoined, there is a grandeur of action and a perfection of power never found in the single soul, however useful and talented the latter may be. The true union of the positive and negative elements and principles bring about in human life a nobility of strength-mental, moral, and possessions; they adorn his home, beautify his physical that is simply grand. There are cases where these soul-mates meet and become united To the Editor of LIGHT OF TRUTH. on earth. In such unions there is no consciousness on either side, of something lacking in the social life, home life, or spiritual atmosphere. The two live and love together, learning, growing, becoming sweeter and dearer to each other as the years go by. Making mistakes, perhaps, but rectifying them; struggling with conditions, but overcoming them, and all the while unfolding in beauty and power of spirit. Of course every male and female possesses something of the elements of love, wisdom, intuition, reason-some more or less of each quality, but none are perfect in these essentials to happiness and power until the two halves become

> SPIRIT MESSAGES. GIVEN THROUGH THE MEDIUMSHIP OF MRS. Wm. Keeney.

Well, I have been trying to send mother some wise ones who are in the service of the people, word through the paper for a long time, and according to the highest laws of advanced hu- the first chance I had the power to do so, I did. man thought and judgment. Therefore we have Levi Sedam comes with me. You see we went no marts of trade and commerce as distinguish out pretty near together, only a few hours apart. I don't have any pain now, but have Q .- "What marks individual belongings on learned a great deal, and so has Levi. We are often with you, and hear your conversation, A.—"Craving personal belongings is characteristic of your earthly experience." spirit Pierpont's response.—Individual belongings are the natural and inevitable outgrowth of soul-power. Thus, a spirit working for humanity generates an aura that is vitalized with essential elements of spiritual stability and substance. These elements can be gathered by artisan spirits out cannot make you know our presence. I am satisfied with things. I would not care to come back again to live on earth, but deaire to help those in the home. I know this will bring mother happiness; and I want my children to learn this truth. It is good to live by, and good to die by. I send this to my wife, Mary Keenney, of Markland, Ind. I passed from earth life six years ago with cancer of the stomach.

his command.

Q.—"Do all, on leaving this plane, lose all desire for individual property?"

A.—"Thou should'st ask, are all who leave your phase of existence endowed with sufficient knowledge of spiritual brotherhood to commence with those spirits who are far in advance of untried souls, to overcome selfish—that is, earthly greed?"

Salvit Eleanost's resource of the commence of untried souls, the content of the commence of the

Questions and Answers.

Quest.—(Mary Willard, Boston.) The following queries and replies are from the E. P. Journal. The answers were written automatically by the hand of a sensitive. Will spirit Pierpont please enlarge upon these answers that we may be better informed upon the subsection of the sub eetings, or desires much changed by what we name death?"

A.—"Bred clandestinely within your sensulus consciousness spirit still asserts its power, and where recognized may be able here to overcome without much warfare the dominant sense appetite."

With sufficient knowledge of spiritual brotherhood to commence with those spirits who are many things on you have ma

Frederick Helper.

stances over which you have no control, will, apon entering spirit life, be placed upon an upward road, which you can readily elimb if you will. Your aspirations, your desires will be the life, the placed upon and the jockey to his steeds and tracks. These live will. Your aspirations, your desires will be the life, the placed upon and the jockey to his steeds and tracks. These live in the sensual atmosphere, and remain as earth of the character, and led a consistent life, and was give them up. The miser clings to his gold, the would bring her this pleasant surprise. It makes would bring her this pleasant surprise. It is rather a propose, and is full over an hour before the time dashionable dame to her fine robes and feathers, they would bring her this pleasant surprise. It makes would bring her this pleasant surprise. It is fall over an hour before the time dashionable dame to her fine robes and feathers, they would bring her this pleasant surprise. It makes would bring her this pleasant surprise. It m

To Dr. Julihn, my husband, who will read this abor for the good of humanity than it were possible for you to do on earth. Inwardly you will have changed but little—only to have increased in power—because the same desires, differentiated cravings."

Q.—"Will you tell us then what is the normal communication and understand. It is from his wife. I bring my blessing from my spirit home, and comfort with me comes Karrol and Eliza, who communication and understand. It is from his fort. With me comes Karrol and Eliza, who have it as orderly as a church, and they evi-

A. A. Maulsby.

would have you gather all the light you can;

temporal follies or pleasures, and seek for and gain the joys and blessings of a truly spiritual career. But it does not follow that a person changes in desire, appetite, and line of thought merely because he slips off the mortal coil any more than he, of necessity, changes in any of these things, because he throws off his overcoat, or steps into another room.

Q.—"Do you have in your planes anything analogous to personal property?"

ture, and spiritual growth.

QUES.—(S. L. B., Farmington, Maine.) Some I wish this communication to reach a daughter, Hannah B. Mead, who resides is a daughter, Hannah B. Mead, who resides A.—"None of tradesman sort."

Spirit Pierpont's response.—It is true that may be an of soul-mating in other spirit property in the spirit world is, in a certain may be and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be an always and plan of soul-mating in other spirit may be a s

Thomas Moxley.

To Brother Lloyd, of Washington, D. C.,

Rosa Miller.

To the loved ones in Fort Wayne, Ind., greetings from my home in spirit, to pay mamma and Sister Annie. We are all to Willie, Mabel, Clarence, and Fleetfoot, are doing all we can. We want to bring and hope for you all. This is the first have been able to come to you in this wa hope you will like my little surprise.

VERIFICATIONS.

In your issue of March 30th there is sage from Washington Drake. He is my b All the names mentioned in the mess correct. I wish to thank the medium a the LIGHT OF TRUTH, and hope to hear fr brother again, or from some other of or friends. I think the LIGHT OF TRUTH paper, and wish it success.

To the Editor of LIGHT OF TRUTH

In your paper of March 23d was a col cation from Jobe C. Stiles, which is con every particular, and the names are all do not understand who the four were w speaks of as gone on before. But Samu and Alice White were all right. We we much pleased to receive the communicat thanks to editor and medium.

O. J. AND SARAH W Jefferson, Iowa. [In our reply to your question we n

To the Editor of LIGHT OF TRUTH.

Through the kindness of a friend the OF TRUTH of March 23d was brought to I might see and read a message from Raymond Fox. Words can not express piness it gave us to know that Raymo trying to send us a loving mes spirit home. Many thanks to the med is the instrument through which so m ing proofs of immortality are sent to

OBJECT LESSONS.

No Abatement in Interest at Boston's Free

JOHN WETHERBER.

think will turn out a good crop of Spiritualists, investigation. be a few who came as if they expected a elreus, but the many were very quiet and Thought-Transferrence, Slate-Writing, and annoyed when a few disturbers manifested temselves. But Mr. Ayer was determined to

dently saw that he meant it. anted more.

announced some of their names. One material- his home. All who are fortunate enough to the medium sticks his head during the seance. a fall-form and walked about in front of the him. cabinet. One form came out which Mr. Ayer said was his sister, whom, he said, he had seen many times. An inclination of applause was manifest, but Mr. Ayer held up his hand and asked them to be silent and not disturb the conditions.

A sprightly spirit came out often and moved about. She was called Rosebud, a cabinet spirit and a control of the medium. I was sitting quite near and was sure it was not the medium. I think that was the impression generally.

A CLAIRVOYANT TEST.

W. Pilkington, of New York, writes: "Some time ago I had an instance of spirit

power in healing which may be of interest to your many readers. I was suffering from an internal trouble that rendered a surgical operation necessary. The operation was not successful, and a few days later I had to submit to a second operation with no better results. I was somewhat disheartened at the prospect of continuous surgery with its attendant pain and discomfort, when I met a friend who expressed surprise that, being a Spiritualist, I did not try clairvoyant healing. The thought had never eriously occurred to me, for in some way I had tot the idea in my mind that while spirit healase that called for purely surgical treatment. the matter, but just had to stop whether I However, I determined to try the experiment, nd acting on my friend's suggestion, I called on Dr. Harriet Wilson, at her residence, 340 West Fifty-ninth street, New York City.

"My friend had cautioned me to say nothing Only 25 cents hat would give the lady any clue to the nature A choice selection f my trouble, but to let her tell me what was he matter, as this would be in the nature of a Just the thing For spiritual meetings and circles

"I therefore simply told her that my health And suitable as not good, and that I had come to see if she Neatly printed rance condition, and to my great surprise her Only 25 cents each, Or \$2.00 per doz.; \$10 per hundred ould relieve me. She passed at once into a dian control, Wahoo, not only located the for the Light of Truth Company. he different operations I had undergone.

"I was under her care for a couple of weeks. and at the end of that time was completely ured, so completely that I have had no recurured, so completely th cured, so completely that I have had no recurented by a few simple, but very efficacious egetable remedies."

A HOME-CIRCLE TEST.

A Spirit Reveals the Contents of a Scaled Box.

Though no scholar, but a plain farmer at

Griffin's Mills, N. Y., I would like to give a brief It is wonderful how crowded the Temple on account of a test received from our spirit Bark Bay, Boston, continues to be twice every daughter. Lillie, recently, Our tests com Sunday with people anxious to witness the mostly from communications through the table.

Physical phenomena given at these seances, al
Our custom is to sit at a table or stand with our agh they have been continued four months. hands on it, my wife on one side and myself on be location of the Temple is very fine, near the other, there being only two of us in the amonwealth avenue, in the neighborhood of family. Our daughter, who gave us this test, Copley Square, the Public Library, and the Art passed to the other side some four 'years ago. Massam. I mention this for distant readers. An aunt of hers, who lives in Kansas, sent a who may not know the "Back Bay" of shallow portfolio in a scaled box to us, requesting us to water has been filled and made upland, and put it in Lillie's room with her things and leave covered with wide streets and splendid buildings, and for beauty and splendor quite un- tell us what was in the box. We did as she reequaled by any locality I ever saw. I will say quested, and put it in a certain bureau drawer also in this connection that the Temple is not and left it there for a few days. We did not cated on a very much traveled thoroughfare. know what was in the box. On our night of The Temple is crowded to overflowing at every sitting she came, and to the question whether scance by a respectable and interested class of there was anything in her room not heretofore people. I do not see so many of the well-known noticed, she replied in the affirmative. After spiritualist faces that we see at the other locating it, we asked her if she would spell out spiritual meetings, but mostly new-comers—a the contents of the box. Answering in the basiness class of people quite attentive as if affirmative again she began to spell out the axious to see such things for themselves, and word "portfolio." This proved correct upon

Mind-Reading.

Phillip Fox, of Kalamazoo, Mich., writes: "I think it my duty to send you a few facts in Mr. P. L. O. A. Keeler, who has been the me- regard to a visit I made at Otsego, Mich., a few manifestations, and under test conditions. Be- three days ago I was a skeptic of the worst were intelligent movements that were not done props knocked from under me, through the methe mediums, but by spirits as claimed; and diumship of F. Elmer Pierce, who at first refused ing under the supervision of Mr. Ayer, who to give me a sitting. But he took a slip of Dear brother, I am happy in spirit to come to was spending his own money and giving these paper and wrote a name, folded it up, and scaled eances free, was an endorsement of their it in an envelope and laid it on the table. He enuineness. It was wise to begin with Mr. then requested me to do the same, saying that feeler, for it prepared many to receive favor- the name I wrote would be the same as the one bly other phases, and becoming interested, that was in his envelope. This all proved true. ow attend smaller seances where they can see | Who can explain this by any magic theory eir special friends materialize. A friend at- Remember he wrote his first, and by some inflaended Mr. Albro's seances and found some ence over me, I was just chump enough to firty odd present, some of whom had got a write the same thing-why I can not tell. He uch of the phase at the Temple, and evidently could not have guessed it in a hundred years, for the name was the LIGHT OF TRUTH.

On Sunday, March 24th, there were full-form His next was slate-writing between corded aterializations by Mrs. Martin in the forenoon, slates. This is what set me to thinking, and is an Intelligent Force Operates in the Mrs. Spoffard Stansbury in the evening. the finest thing I ever saw, and I am now in

ably good. The forms at Mrs. Martin's fre-quently came out of the cabinet, and were of He also gave me pellet tests that were beyond different sizes and sexes, and the great number my knowledge. I can, in this brief sketch, present appreciated them very much. At Mrs. give but a faint idea of the things I saw at the ening upon matters spiritual. Benj. Foster, Stansbury's, whose forms are noted for their home of Mr. Pierce. He is entirely different physical medium, gave two seances at the home spiritual appearance, male and female spirits from any medium I ever saw; one can feel per- of our florist. appeared. The changes were quite rapid and fectly at home there. He dislikes to be called Mr. Foster's cabinet consisted of a double of different sizes, which is evidence that they a medium, and does no public work I under- curtain, the two being fasted together at the are not the medium masquerading. Mr. Ayer stand, but Spiritualists are always welcome at top, with a hole in the front one through which ized outside of the curtain, beginning about the witness his tests will go away well repaid. I He sits on a chair between the two curtains, size of a dollar and extending upward, became shall never forget the happy hours spent with with his hands bound to his lower limbs, and the

Premonition.

line related a thrilling experience he had a few placed across the corner of the room. Behind days ago. "I was coming west," said he, "and the rear curtain was placed a chair, upon which had just rounded the corner of Fourth and were laid a tambourine, two small hand bells, Chestnat and turned the current on so as to several slates, pencils, and a writing tablet, make good speed to High street, when all of a besides several drum-sticks and a small bammer. sudden a strange feeling came over me which I In front of the front curtain were place a musicwill never be able to explain to my dying day. box upon a chair, also a trumpet. Materialized It seemed to me there was an overpowering hands were shown as many as three at a time. necessity for me to stop my car, and I obeyed The tambourine was rattled and brought above the impulse instantly without attempting to the curtain, and rolled over and over without reason about it. I reversed the current and any visible support. Messages were written, nearly pitched the conductor through the car, and the leaves of the tablet containing them so quickly did I stand the car on end, as the torn off and handed out to the sitters by maboys say. The next moment I knew why I had terialized hands. The music-box was taken off stopped, and you may bet I was glad that I did the chair into the cabinet, wound up by the so. From right under the front platform there controls, and made to play tunes with variacrawled a little tot of a boy who ran screaming tions which were not in the ratchets. Tacks to the sidewalk and disappeared around the corner. The little fellow had undoubtedly at door, which was open, and behind the medium, tempted to cross the track directly in front of after which the hammer was thrown out of the my car, and had I not stopped at the instant I cabinet into the circle. Handkerchiefs were did he would certainly have been ground to wet and passed to materialized hands which pieces. No, I didn't see him until he crawled received them into the cabinet, and soon after out from under the platform, and I am willing they were thrown out again, with writing or to swear that I have told you the exact truth drawings upon them. The chair was passed about the matter. I can't explain the impulse over the top of the curtains, and it required all ng might be effectual in nervous and kindred that prompted me to stop the car, and, in fact, weaknesses, it would be no use to try it in a to tell the truth I didn't have any choice about wanted to or not."-Columbus (0.) Press.

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The "Sons and Daughters of the King,"

A trembling beggar, old and blind, Groqing with came his way to find, A "Daughter" leads him o'er the way, Lest he should fall or go astray.

Into his hand she pressed a token

A widow poor with children four,

With all her bousehold goods and store Piled on the walk one Winter's day By heartless landlerd o'er the way.

Her babe was wailing at her breast, No place but mother's arms to rest. "A Son" just passing saw her plight, Love glowed with pity at the sight.

He placed into her hand some gold. And wished it were an hundredfold. Her face it gleamed with hope and love Her eyes looked up to skies above.

With silent blessings on her head,
"The King's Son," prayerful, homeward sped;
That day his thoughts were clean and white,
And all the world seemed near and bright. Floating and rocking with the tide,

With blue eyes staring open wide, A woman once so lair, yet frail, Had sought for peace beyond the vale. None claimed the tenement of clay,

'Twas hurried to the morgue next day, "A Daughter of the King" stood there And wept beside that form once fair.

No kith nor kin, nor friendship's ties But "Nature's," boundless as the skies, Linked th's weet "Daughter" to th'cold, pale form, A poor dead wreck of life's wild storm. The waif was saved from Potter's field, She sleeps where flowers their perfume yield.

And o'er her grave creeps ivy green, Bedewed with tears for Magdalene, Hark! The clanging sound of fire-bell What tales of ruined homes they tell. See! You tall tenement's on fire

Far up, upon the topmost story, Wails loud and shrill with wild despair.

See! Through the crowd, struck dumb with fear Midst smoke and flames to disappear, Rushed the "King's Sor," a noble man, A stalwart, gallant fireman.

With ready hand the rope he tied. Into the arms of friends below Whilst walls were rocking to and fro.

The lurid flames are mounting higher, A crash! a hero's funeral pyre

Presence of a Bound Medium.

J. B. EVERETT.

The people of St. Paris, O., had quite an awak-

knots sewed, and loose ends of bands also sewed to his clothes, thus making it impossible for him to raise his hands or manipulate the different instruments which are placed Motorman (Collins of the Leonard avenue back of the rear curtain. The cabinet is usually were called for, and one was driven into the of the writer's strength to take it. The trumpet was then taken and a number of spirits spoke messages to their earthly friends who were present. Flowers were also brought to the

> a good light. One little incident deserves particular mention: a spirit, David Loudenback, who was one of the best known men in Champaign County, manifested with a good deal of power. The writer said: "Do you recognize me, Mr. Loudenback?" He immediately responded by giving the writer's given name. The writer then asked: "Do you remember a conversation we once had upon Spiritualism?" He replied: 'Yes, and I thought you were a fool, but I thank you for it now; all is progression." Thus it seems that a few words upon this vital subject, spoken to an unbeliever, will be kindly remembered by him after transition.

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and nothing given in return, there is an oppres- The Hypnotic Influence of Crime. sive society. The rapacity of human nature is its most dominant feature say what we will power to control the actions of others.

gravity-that part of human nature akin to have been speedly detected in his iniquity.

man did not understand the action of the lion; coil? inured to gore, the fright of meeting a rapaanimal slink away. The populace saw it too, laws. but the populace could not account for it. But wait for the savage act, the animals are seeking cover and protection.

and administrative branches of the government nod and bend. They move upon the public dosess them.

scrupulous spirits, who psychologize and observable armistice. This policy came so quick after the

Every once in a while a wave of crime seems duct our school system." think as we will, to the contrary, notwithstand- to sweep over some section of the country. The ing. It crops out invariably when the individ- community is startled by the news that a promnal becomes possessed of a desire for gain or inent bank officer has been detected in defalcation or embezzlement, or some popular business The past history of oppression should be suf- man is discovered as appropriating to his own ficient for any person to see the folly of depend- use, funds that belong to his patrons or crediting on a ruling class to redress wrongs. The ors. There are periods when one after another genesis of all wrong lies in the dominant pas- of these exposures occur with startling rapidision of man, which is rapacity. The tooth and ty. Perhaps the detected criminal has lived a the elbow are the conservators of might, power, influence. Politics is the weapon used by has stood high in society, and been an honored one class to oppress another class. In the en- member of religious circles. The crime in many deavor to shake off tyranny, humanity is con- cases-which is not always confined to stealing stantly forging chains for the present and debt -is not discovered until the perpetrator has for posterity. The pyramid of society is on its been ingulfed for a long time in his sin, while apex. We are all the while looking about for in other instances the criminal seems to have props and guys to support it. The center of fallen suddenly from his high estate, and to

derance of rapacity, and the pyramid stands life has been one of probity and honor, to dethere stumbling, and liable to fall and crush not seend to thieving, swindling, and other criminal only the false and pernicious supporters of it, acts? Why is it that, frequently, one defalcabut the loyal and true, in one grand destruction. tion, heavy embezzlement, or some other fel-The revelers in the great Pompellan arena ony, is followed by another and another? Why would not believe the holocaust of fire and is it that a wave of suicide sometimes sweeps ashes was upon them. It is said there was to over the country, attacking people in high be an encounter between a human being and a places as well as those in lowly dens, and maklion, but the lion in the arena shivered and ing victims of persons who, as far as human slunk away to his den that awful day. He knowledge and observation can judge, have no would not meet his human adversary. The hu- earthly reason for shuffling off their mortal

This is a subject for psychology to deal with,

Spiritualism teaches that in the lower strata soon the sky became dimmed, and the ashes be- of physical and moral life decarnated beings gan to sift down upon the doomed city. Then dwell, who, although freed from the mortal they knew what the lion knew before them. So body, can not get away from earth because of the ashes are sifting down to-day, but the peo- their polluted tastes and perverted sensibilple, mad with pride, rush for the play. They do ities. Is it, then, likely that by some momennot perceive the portent of the day; they no tary weakness in the moral nature, the atmoslonger hear the mountain; they want to see the phere of these people who are tempted becomes gladiators and the animals. And while they receptive to the encroachments of this lower order of spirits, and is so saturated by their tal." aura that they descend into crime almost with-

The army is being maneuvered to fill their There is no doubt but that all criminals, all Spiritualism in the Orient. As an evidence, w strongholds. The navy is being strengthened; wrong doers, are more or less sensitive to con- call our reader's attention to the action of the they own these. The avenues of intelligence ditions, more or less negative to the lower government towards China, after the attempt and the transmission of news are all in their forces of life; hence it may be that by some to assassinate Li Hung Chang, for no soone hands. They pull a string, and the executive overt act they open the door to cunning, un- had the crime been flashed over the world, until

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have rammed Satolli into a pneumatic gun, and blown him back into Rome, as soon as he arrived in this country, to instruct us how to con-

FROM BRIDGEPORT, CT.,

information comes that the Catholics were successful. The Sunday before the election, in the Catholic churches, the priests urged the women to register, and vote for members of the board of education. Ballots were given out in Catholic churches, containing the names of the favorite candidates. The women were instructed to go to the polls in pairs, and vote the ballots given them without a change.

NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE.

The action of the legislature on April 3d, in passing the bills over the veto of the governor, shows conclusively that a great majority of them are A. P. A's. This law takes from the godliness—is shifted to one side by the prepon- What is it that tempts a man whose previous governor the power of appointing the Omaha Fire and Police Commission, This bill, upon becoming a law, will probably result in all Catholics being removed from the fire and police commission in the city of Omaha.

The New York Herald gave considerable prominence to the 47th anniversary of the advent of Modern Spiritualism. The program embraced an address on Spiritualism, by Luther R. Marsh, and tests by Edgar W. Emerson. The Herald says that Mr. Marsh succeeded in condensing a great deal into the following quotation on "Immortality": "It is no longer an incious lion was not half the fright of seeing the for physics can not reach it nor explain its quiry or a question of opinion as to whether man is immortal," said Mr. Marsh. "It has ceased to be a belief. We have passed the realm of hope, and stand on invincible facts. Our feet are on the rocks of certainty. Hope has been transformed into reality, argument into dem onstration. If there be such a thing as absolute knowledge, if anything is capable of being known, no doubts flit around us or about us at present on the subject. As certain as this earth and the material universe exist, man is immor-

We have before predicted that the Japanes These animals are the Knights of Capitalism. out knowing when and why the deed is done? race will eventually lead in the development of main, and labor stands stupified, only waiting On the other hand, these inexplicable cases of brutal act, that it could only be accounted for

mediums and speakers made every hour it with the philosopby and phenomena of alism. At Hollis Hall, Hiawatba Hall, other places, much good work of a simi-ire was accomplished for the cause. bildren's Progressive Lyceum cele-at Horticultural Hall, where many

lison Quartet. Daisy Hereford, J. H. Tacie Scales, Carl Leo Root, Richard Arosby, Flossie Bethune, Mabel and Bidlow, Baby Guilford, Prof. Cooles, Mabel, attie Milligan, Baby Lou, Evelyn and mith, George Lang, Juliette Caze, a owler, with a number of pretty chilinableaux and dialogues.

Chamittee of arrangements were: Mrs. S.Butler, Mrs. C. T. Wood, Mrs. C. M. Syl. T. Wood, and J. A. Shelhamer.

Aniversary observance has proved to be meent tribute to the growth and labor of ulsm, and an occasion long to be rememibur ranks.

Ortospace of the ward to take her by the hand and bid her farewell at the conclusion of her address.

Thus closed Washington's tribute to the savior of the nineteenth century, Modern Spiritualism.

The officers of this society desire to thank all talent and Mr. Steinberg and florist Gude these two gentlemen showing great taste in the deconsisted of vocal selections by Mr. Altemus, Miss Madden, Miss Hempston; piano solos, Miss Julian; violin solos, Emil Carelius Christiani, Jr., and Julian Burnham.

Francis B. Woodbury.

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Mrs. Luther then made an eloquent farewell address and as this noble instrument of the spirit world eloquently plead with the people to be true to the cause of human liberty, reat Horticultural Hall, where many souls assembled in the morning to be true to the cause of human liberty, requested them to keep upon the rostrum after she was gone the bust of Thomas Paine, and not the eloquence of Mrs. Sarah Byrnes, in be afternoon to appropriate and stirring is presented by Earnest T. Allen. The for was handsomely decorated with tersand bunting and a fine portrait of the rostrum and the Constitution of the United States of America and the Stars and Stripes, the enthusiand was intense and was manifested in rounds of applause, and a large proportion of the audience pressed forward to take her by the hand and bid her farewell at the conclusion of the

Lockport, N. Y.

Colorado Springs, Colo.

Meetings were opened here on March 17th, by Dr. G. C. Beckwith Ewell, under the name of "The Independent Spiritual Church." The question, "What is Spiritualism?" formed the subject of the opening discourse. Ancient and modern manifestations were considered as operating under the same law, confirming each other and exhibiting unity; the correspondence of the so-called "revealed religion" and natural law was noted, and the pre-eminence of inspiration from advanced spheres or the central source of life, in contrast to the physical or material manifestations of spirit existence.

The following Sunday, the 24th, individual responsibility was the basic thought of the lecture. In substance the lecturer said that the day of beliefs, dogmas, and creeds is past. We are turning to perceive the dignity of our own soul. Not content with the picture of humanity, draped in the hangings of centuries past, not held in the cradle of an ism, we bring the elements of truth necessary to the sustenance and development of life. It matters not your plane of existence. All planes are necessary to the development of a soul. When you realize that mankind runs on eternally will you desire the successive steps requisite to unfoldment, and as your are spiritually awakened arise to heights beyond.

Dr. Ewell has just received a certificate of appointment as missionary under the N. S. A., and few who have been no longer in the field receive such appointment more appropriately. However great the demand of an oftimes full magnetic practice he always makes opportunity to present the philosophy of Spiritualism

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Lockport, N. Y.

Dr. John P. Thorndyke bas just closed a most successful engagement with the First Spiritual Society of this city. His methods of labor as a missionary meets with approval everywhere, the certainly has struck the keynote to success in his zealous advocacy of sociability among the masses. He has been with us only one month, and we feel that could his stay be prolonged to a full year, the success of the cause of Spiritual Speakers. We have, so I think, the beat in the world, because they are inspirational. She is a nace fithe benefit of our society, which ows he ever wishing to do good. His many lends ie are anxiously awaiting his return June. Irs. M. J. Payne.

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an carnest and eloquent discourse. She traced Modern Spiritualism from its birth place in Hydesville, N. Y., around the world, up through the various manifestations to the higher phases, giving many facts and statistics, which were very interesting, and then closed with a beautiful improvised poem of much merit. At the close of the discourse she gave psychometric readings from articles, which readings were very fine, and every one recognized

nized.

At 7.30 Mr. Sprague was introduced and spoke on "Evidences of the two worlds, and the proof of communication between them." The speaker referred to the spirit manifestations recorded in the bibles of all ages, as evidences of enother world than this. But, said he, Modern Spiritualism does not rest upon some ancient revelation or record; its foundation stands upon its own demonstrated proof as manifestated.

Monday evening, which closes her engagement are revelation or record; its foundation stands upon its own demonstrated proof as manifested in its various phases of modern mediumship. At the close of the lecture, E. V. Wilson, entranced Mr. Sprague, and gave descriptions and names of spirit friends, diagnosed the discussion of the characters of others, told of incidents and accidents that had occurred in the lives of others, etc. The readings were all given to strangers by Mr. Sprague, and were pronounced correct by the recipients. The house was filled to its utmost capacity many standing throughout the entire service. At the close of the meeting a permanent union of the two societies was formed.

E. W. Sprague has been engaged to serve the society for the month of April, and we look forward to a continuation of the revival thus inaugurated.

Monday evening, which closes her engagement with us and our anniversary exercises for 1895.

M. H. VAN BUSKIES.

The Woman's Progressive Union celebrated the Spiritualist New Year by a musical entertainment and supper. One hundred and fifty guests were present, among them Dr. Rothermel who gave us a number of tests that were highly appreciated. About \$50 was realized to or Thothermel We have permanent, and were pronounced correct by the recipients.

The W. P. U. gives another dance and supper of the benefit of the building fund, to which all friends are invited.

We also hereby acknowledge the receipt of a box of fancy articles from the Boston Ladies' Aid for our coming bazaar; also a life-size portrait for our any or all of the above subjects, \$1.07 and stamp. Address 66 Sydney street, Dor chester District, Boston, Mass.

Capt. T. J. Emiler, Mrs J. H. Massie, Miss A. Benson constituting the board of directors for the ensuing year.

Sunday night the hall was well filled as usual. Dr. Benson presided and made a short address of welcome, congratulating the Spiritualists on entering the new year. Mrs. Stevenson again delivered the address of the evening, Mr. F. Cordon White clinching the arguments with facts that the so called dead still live.

Slowly the clouds of ignorance and superstition are being dispelled in this city, for quite a number of circles are held on the quiet, and the spirit of unrest and inquiry is abroad among the people.

F. Cordon White has been engaged for the platform next March.

WM. BRODIE, See'y.

The forty-seventh anniversary of Modern Spiritualism was observed by the Spiritualists of this city on Sunday, March 31st. The two societies here joined forces for the occasion, and engaged Mrs. Agnew, of Waterfield, Pa., and E. W. Sprague, of Jamestown, N. Y.

The choir of the First Society, assisted by Professor Bently, furnished music for the acasion.

Mrs. Agnew followed her invocation with an earnest and eloquent discourse. She traced Modern Spiritualism from its birth place in Hydeaville, N. Y., around the world, up

Humphries, A. McCahan, M. Nueneman, M. E. Cadwallader, C. M. Read. Music: G. MCahan, E. H. B. Chew, I. A. Stuard. Lyceum: W. Ahles, F. H. Morrill, B. B. Hill

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The Unity Society of Spiritualists of Buffalo, celebrated the forty-seventh anniversary at their hall on Sanday, March 31st, 30'clock p.m.

The president, J. W. Dennis, being quite ill, was not able to be present. The platform decorations of flowers, banners, etc., were simple, but tasteful and appropriate. The principal address, by Mrs. Myra F. Paine, was listened to with closest attention by the large audience present, and pronounced complete in every respect.

Mrs. Paine was followed by Dr. Rothermel, whose remarks elicited considerable enthusiasm. The doctor holds seances on Monday and T. Taesday evenings, and Mrs. Paine holds one on Monday evening, which closes her engagement with us and our anniversary exercises for 1895.

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At 7.30 p. M. a good audience again came to hear the grand truth of Spiritualism, and was addressed by Dr. E. H. Denslow, president of our society. His subject—"What Has Modern Spiritualism Done for the World"—was handled in a masterly manner by the controlling power. Bro. Hudson, of Bay City, sang in his best style at the three meetings. All were well pleased, and feel our anniversary this year was a success.

MRS. Effix M. Post, Cor. Sec.

Springfield, Mo.

The Spiritual Society here held its anniversary meetings Sunday, March 31st, at G. A. R. Hall, St Louis and Commercial street, at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m. The exercises were conducted by J. Madison Allen, who delivered a fine lecture in the afternoon on "The work of Spiritualism in the progress of civilization," and in the evening on "The difficulties attending Spiritualism in its early history."

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E. V. Wilson, controlling Miss Shimmon, rendered "A Letter" with splendid effect.

Mr. C. E. Boyden offered an original poem on "There is Beauty Everywhere."

S. J. Dailey read an original poem, "The Messenger Bird."

Professor Allen leaves this week for Rich Hill, the place of his next engagement. The good wishes of all the society go with him.

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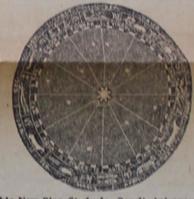
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halls with delight anything new, he is not a man who would follow it up and neglect his business; he is aggressive, stubborn, and proud.

Of course it is easy to explain such matters

ing its claims to truth; if it contains a truth, he bear something from their friends, impresses grasps it eagerly, but if it is full of errors, he the fact upon the sensitive, who immediately casts it out. While he looks upon humanity in through this condition establishes communicaindividuals he is cautious. On the whole, H. M. one from his friend. T. is a very good sort of a person to know, de- Intelligent messages are received from those most like peaches and cream, and all that is

L. M. H., HERMAN, ME.-This correspondent course, occur to the medium when alone. one great fault is an inclination to procrasti- tive soul has been subjected to at some previnate, and he is too apt to say or think that "to- ous time. er, and builds castles in the air; he can not bear disappointments, but he keeps his feelings to himself pretty well, and does not disturb others; he appreciates favors, and renders assistance with a good will.

as he would have others treat him.

with, but when he meets one in whom he can another name for infinity. confide, and one he can trust, he is a staunch The contemplation of it is most wonderful, room, barking with all my might. I found large supply of imagination, has a pretty good ship on the ocean's waters. opinion of himself, and is well liked by those What strange beings we are, moving in this Jewish Messenger. ing but not domineering, cheerful and compan- ponder on thy grandeur, O God, when we think

VERIFICATIONS.

To the Editor of LIGHT OF TRUTH.

of Bro. Hawkins' graphological readings, I send are thine forevermore. As limitless as nature's you one. Had Mr. Hawkins inserted "pie" in God, which it conceals and enshrouds. his reading before "etc.," he would have hit my character "to a dot." Perhaps the reason why spot, and they hate to acknowledge it.

Yours for truth, J. B. EVERETT.

DEAR SIR: I saw your graphological reading JAMES M. BEVAN.

Now Castle, Pa.

HOW THE LIVING

May Appear as Spirits to Sensitives.

of Rev. T. H. Stewart in your issue of March with, last. I have passed the meridian of life, and have always been a medium. During the greater part of the time I have been before the public, and shall continue to be an instrument between the spheres until time shall be no more for me. My experience in these things leads me to draw the following conclusions with re-

her; she is, in fact, too sympathetic to the sympat True clairvoyance and clairaudience-I speak subject to the confines of time or space, or even mate of a friend, she would become melancholy, but at the same time her love would remain unchanged; she likes luxurious surroundings, elegant paintings, etc., but her philosophic nature would not allow her to fret because of their absence; she possesses a vivid imagination, but she can not express in words half her thoughts.

6. M., HAMILTON, ONT., CAX.—This gentleman is progressive in his ideas, and would like to see the whole world reformed; he is tired of old-fashioned methods and old fashioned theories; he does not countenance any law which would force any one into a certain line of thought; a few of his associates say he is conceited, and so he is, but he is frank; while he halls with delight anything new, he is not a

and does not care if people know it, being inde-pendent and fearless; he would like to travel for we know that such are not hampered with food which consists of bread mean and smaller food which consists of bread means and and see the world, but is a loyal citizen and the disabilities attendant upon the soul inhabitloves his home, being of a domestic turn of ing this "mortal coil," but can make them. insects. The male makes the merry chirp by

siderable amount of patience and hard work to sense people who are yet in the earth life? I and remains in an almost lifeless state till warm get ahead of this gentleman, for he is cunning, think that frequently when forms appear to us weather returns. secretive, and full of tact. The associations which are recognized to be those of mortals, or In Germany the children keep them in boxes into which H. M. T. has been thrown have put communications are received from such, that it by the fire to hear them sing. There is a spehim on his guard and made him somewhat sus- is due to some person being present who car- cies in Sicily that can be heard at the distance picious, at the same time sharpening his wits. ries the condition of the absent one in his or of a mile .- Journal of Education. He is one who weighs a problem before accept- her own individuality, or by greatly desiring to general with kindly eyes, in his contact with tion, and gives some evidence to the inquiring I come in? I hope so, for we-that is, little Sil-

habilitated with the flesh by the intervention sweet, of all the columns in the dear Line LAURA A. C., QUITMAN, MO.-This woman is of a friendly disembodied spirit who acts as a TRUTH. And we send you a little poem, which kind in disposition, thoughtful of others, and is messenger between the friends, and this, too, we lovingly dedicate to all the little tots well liked wherever she goes; she is domestic although the absent one knows nothing of the progressive lyceum: in her tendencies, loves her home, and is one occurrence; but the disembodied friend, comwho will sincerely sympathize with those in prehending the situation, speaks to the clairaudient ear of the medium. This may, of

says he would like a "full reading." There are | Lastly, the medium may, annihilating space, so many waiting for their turns that it would view individuals and landscapes thousands of be unjust to go into all the particulars of any miles away, by this subtle arrangement of single reader. L. M. H. is one who gets along which clings to his companion as they may apand methodical, sympathetic and generous; his as a result of some association which his sensi-

SPACE.

ALONZO THOMPSON.

Space itself is a wonderful thought, because Here is your luncheon." Jamie went, an W. H. R. DES MOINES, IA., impresses people its nature is unthinkable in its entirety. No hu-noticed that Jamie always came home all very forcibly, and carries with him a magnetic man mind can comprehend it. No thought can after the twelve o clock whistle. power of which he is little conscious; state- equal it. It can only be measured by infinity or One day I ran to meet him, and after the ments of his have weight, and he can encourage God. It can have no border or boundary, for was always at the school-house door when or discourage a person completely; he is of the boundary would occupy it; hence it is proven came out. One day I grew too impatien nervous temperament, but is not necessarily boundless. Sides, bottom, and top it has none. wait till the whistle sounded, and ran to nervous in his actions, being gifted with a large It is compassed only by God-is as unfathoma | door of the school house. The teacher h fund of philosophic insight and hope; he meets ble as God himself. It could not but have ex- me scratching at the door, and opened it. opposition with calmness, and never antago- isted from the beginning, that is, eternally. It in, and the teacher laughed, saying I could nizes unless it is absolutely unavoidable; he could not have been hewed out originally, for I was delighted, and tried to be useful. believes in quiet methods rather than in force, the maker would have been compelled to have the door blew open, I closed it; when a particle of the door blew open, I closed it is the door blew open, I and while some would become very much ex- working room, and space itself would have fur- dropped, I picked it up; and once, wh cited and angry at certain proceedings, he nished this; hence it existed before the maker. scratching was heard in the luncheon bask would show the greatest coolness and delibera- In its entirety, it is a strange thought. The ran in, and chased a curious cat out of tion; there are times when he becomes an orbit of Arcturus is only a point in its immenschool. gered, and when he does he is very much sity. Distance measured by quintillions of My master did not know how to spell for

wrought up; he is a good business man, and miles is insignificant. It is unfathomable as He spelt it f-u-l-i-s-h. He went therefore to gets along very well with the general run of Deity himself; boundless, grand, and unap- foot of the class. I felt ashamed of him, t people, but is so sensitive that he can not bear proachable when we come to scan or measure was the only boy who could spell pygm; to be in the company of some even for a brief it, wrapped in its own immensity. Only a god therefore went to the head. I now felt he period; he is reliable, and tries to treat others can approach its fathomless dimensions. It has Soon the time came to go home, and I to one worthy handmaiden, and this is Time-its gayly by my master's side. In the aftern T. A. W., GLENDORA, CAL., is one who is distant equal in the infinity of duration and its nearest again accompanied my master, proving with strangers, and hard to get acquainted of kin. The two are equally related to God- useful than I had that morning. One ti

friend; sometimes he is practical, at other and nothing can equal it but the universe of papers burning, and these were put out times he is the exact opposite; he possesses a worlds that floats upon its bosom as floats the teacher. She petted me, and when I got

who know him; he is proud-spirited and exact- vast field of space amid the ocean of time. We ionable but not over-demonstrative in actions of these thy attributes-space and time, which thy infinity alone can comprehend and fathom. In thy womb, O Space, may well be contained all that is or ever may be. From thy cunning power, and wisdom, Grand Master of all the Universes, nothing may be hidden and nothing As there seems to be a dearth of verifications lost. Space is thy workshop, and its treasures

Sir Humphry Davy, in 1808, produced the first | Sarah Bernhardt, the great French there are so few of said verifications, is because
Bro. Hawkins hits the "dear people" in a tender

electric light. After his time lamps were used for years on special occasions. The cost was firmly believe that it is given to some for prohibitive of general use. The first practical man beings to understand the feelings dynamo was built about 1857, and was used to stincts of animals, and I am as firmly conrun an electric light at the South Foreland that I am one of them. If I am in a cre lighthouse, England, December 8, 1858. This people, and a dog or cat is near, it will dynamo was too expensive to be used gener-ally. The first incandescent lamp was patented movement. Why this is the case I can n of David J. Bevan's penmanship. You could not have told his disposition better had you known ally. The first incandescent lamp was patented in 1845, by J. W. Starr, but it was not successions whose existence animals at once pe ful. Edison made incandescent lighting a success in 1878 and thereafter .- N. Y. Sun.

DEAR SIB: Accept my thanks for the truthful reading of my disposition, by a specimen of hand-writing sent, and published in the Light of Truth. It is true in every detail. I will say right here that I purposely disguised my writing in order to confuse you in your reading, and yet you read me aright.

Fraternally yours, D. Feast.

(III South Payson street, Baltimore, Md.

A healthy body makes a healthy mind, for mind is the action of spirit on matter—soul on brain matter. A body devitalized by disease affects the brain for a like effect. The action of spirit on this brings forth results compatible with the material—abnormal, diseased, morbid, and unspiritual thoughts. But as all disease finds its root in selfishness, its antitheses—benevolence, charity, and sympathy—is the best physician.

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AUNER LEWIS MITCHELL Tom and Joe quarreled,
I've heard people tett.
About a queer animal
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Hid in a shell.

"I tell you it walks, sir;"

Said Tommy to Just
"It swims!" cried Joe, boudly,

"I've seen, and I know!"
"It walks!"—No, it swims!"

And the boys grew quite was

But the furtle peoped out,

Saying, "I can do both."

mmon house cricket is about one inch long He is a cousin to the grasshopper and loc They live in the vicinity of ovens; remain hidmind, and fond of books and general literature. selves manifest to mediums at any time or rubbing the hard border of one wing agis the underside of the other. In winter, without H. M. T., Shenwood, Mich.—A person would be under the necessity of going through a con-

The Dandelion.

DEAR LITTLE CHILDREN: I am knocking; may ver Wing and I-think your column jus

A pretty, little dandelion Looked up so saucily at me: I cried, "Oh, little dandelion, A shining star I see in thee.'

Then spoke the little dandelion With voice of golden harmony
Dear little child, oh, try to be
The shining light you see in m JULIA STEELMAN-MIT

The First Day at School.

I must introduce myself as a small dog ca He is the youngest child in the house, aged I I love him very much. One day I heard mother say to him : "Jamie, this is the first of of school, and you are to go; so get rea

the day I smelt smoke, and ran into the Jamie told of my exploit with great pride.

Her Soliloquy.

PREDEBICK B. OPPER.

I love my little brother: He's a cunning, rosy elf; But I wish-somehow or other That he could rock himself!

People Who Attract Animals.

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With a few spasmodic efforts in the past, the or the perversion of law or government. er social, political, or financial. claim to a permanent, comprehensive system other sects and individuals of no sect. upon which to build in the future.

And even these only foreshadow what must ern Spiritualism.

The rapid advance that has been made within teachings of Spiritualism.

A knowledge of this fact would, perhaps, inall thinking Spiritualists of the necessity of well for themselves.

The fact that they have opened the way tion, "work out their own salvation," is not evidence that they will continue to thus direct us. ed. Especially as the study and practice of this

After the necessity of general co-operation and harmony is recognized, it would seem a practical step for all spiritual societies to appeal to the National Association by petition, asking that delegates from all societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be instructed to vertex for the spiritual societies and the spiritual societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be instructed to vertex for the spiritual societies and the spiritual societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be instructed to vertex for the spiritual societies and the spiritual societies to appeal to the National Association, and all auxiliary to the National Association, and all with a light-complected man you are in the proposition of the spiritual societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be of the spiritual societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be of the spiritual societies to appeal to the National Association, and all with a light-complected man you are in the proposition of the spiritual societies entitled to recognition in the next convention (at Washington, the third Tuesday of October), be of the proposition of the eaching and promoting the principles of spiritual philosophy.

If Spiritualism is what we claim for it, and expect to result from its teachings, it should and must have some well-defined system and

By referring to the constitution of the National Spiritualists' Association it will be seen that "the object of said association is to prevent further waste of spiritual and financial energy by the consolidation and organization of spiritual societies of the United States into one central, harmoniously working business association, for the establishment of new associations wherever possible, and the better education, equipment, and protection of lecturers, mediums, and other exponents of Spiritualism."

That seems a comprehensive, although a rather indefinite purpose, and yet that is all that is contained in the constitution of this asetc. Now, so far as the National Association is and protection of lecturers, mediums, and other the lesson. exponents of Spiritualism."

In carrying out these very worthy purposes

While I am an enthusiastic supporter of the propounded, "In what way can Spiritualism best be promulgated?" it may be necessary to travel outside the objects enumerated in that constitution.

There is a wide difference in the minds of wise and practical Spiritualists to-day (many of whom are not members of this association) as to what is and what is not right or practicable, to be taught and practiced in Spiritualism. But there are many things in which all ought to agree. Among them is that of education,

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organization of Societies and Education of Mediums Pre-Requisite.

at an earlier period in the development of Spiritualism, but few, if any, will, at this late day, contend that it is not necessary for teachers of Spiritualism to be educated whether mediums

This is a question upon which the wisest couraged to offer themselves as public teachers. ers either "a multitude of sins" or a mountain of

So, too, in organizations for benevolent, po- that psychometry is the golden key which un-Up to the present time but little effort has been made by Spiritualists towards organization, and the introduction of a thorough system ton, and the introduction of a thorough system to has business paragraph which all other success. for business purposes, which all other success- and but few can be induced to lend their aid or psychometrized.

the National Spiritualists' Association, located dications and not by sex. Fortunately this sen- with the request that she tell what kind of tree at Washington, comprise about all that can lay timent is participated in by a large number of or wood the cane was made from. There was

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half a century in spiritual development, free ings and principles and those of other sects, its wonderful possibilities. thought, and scientific demonstration, have left classes, and societies where results show pro- Now comes the question uppermost in the

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the black of this fact would, perhaps, inagainst fraud, misrepresentation, bypocrisy,
and contumely when faithfully represented by the lives and character of its adherents, no resuch a system, believing the spirit world will sort to visionary, untried schemes will ever suppose she would describe an elephant, and never do for mortals what they can do equally force it to the front or recommend it to the judgment of the great mass of the people.

There remains yet many things to be done of pure, simple Spiritualism will be accomplish-

In and through the National Spiritualists' Asnew philosophy will do much to advance its sociation, if a united, earnest effort is made by the great body of Spiritualists in America, the

instructed to vote for commissioners to be elected by said convention for the purpose of formulating and recommending to the Spiritualists of America some general system and rules for eaching and promoting the principles of spiritualists of the Spiritualists of all Association and unite with it in carrying out any well-digested system or policy for the promotion of the cause that may be generally apbefore long.

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To the Editor of LIGHT OF TRUTH. I am glad to see such writers as W. H. Bach, advance in order that it may be appreciated and better understood by the thousands who are now seeking to find a "more excellent way" than they have ever been able to find in the speakers have wasted a good deal of time and think of going to the meeting previous to being there.

"Is there any possible way I could have known than they have ever been able to find in the speakers have wasted a good deal of time and think of going to the meeting previous to being there.

"Is there any possible way I could have known that fact?" asks the psychometrist, and the gen-Not that all criticisms of sectarian methods and Especially is this a weakness when there are so many weeds in our own garden that are neglected. But the critic that strikes home is likefriends, and illustrate the prophecy that "a

sorious, personal, and full of sarcastic bitterness, disembodied spirit. committed, its duties seem to be limited to the the other kindly, broad, generous, and just. "establishment of new associations wherever The latter ought never to evoke emnity or illpossible, and the better education, equipment, will, but rather gratitude and effort to profit by er all this seems very confusing and perplexing.

of the association may define when attempting thority for any statement we make. Let us no reference is made to the thing psychome to educate, equip, and protect lecturers, mediums, have facts underlying everything we do, and if trized? And again, if our spirit friends are atknowledge of their errors.

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Other Questions in the Balance.

CAPT. E. W. GOULD.

And the opinion is gaining ground that none except those who are educated and well developed, morally and physically, should be enoped, morally and physically, should be enoped, morally and physically should be enoped.

Psychometry, the soul of things, or, as Prof. Buchanan calls it, "Soul Measure," is a much abused word and one which, like charity, covoped, morally and physically, should be enoped, morally and physically, should be enoped. In most moral reforms undertaken by other ignorance-which? According to the account thinkers may differ. All, however, must agree that harmony and co-operation are among the for Spiritualists to differ or to excuse them for Spiritualists to differ or to excuse them. first requisites, and that a general and compre-bensive system for advancement must be to do so.

The requisites, and that a general and compre-selves from taking an active part when invited termining the nature and history of various ar-ticles examined, we are led to the conclusion

sympathy to any radical schemes for a change Prof. Denton relates many interesting tests of er social, political, or financial.

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doubts in the minds of some conservative Spiritualists as to the necessity or practicability of
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placed upon the table to be "read", the medium selects an ivory whistle, one would naturally say that the whistle was made from one of its tusks, as that would be psychometry; but inwhereby mortals can, by study and investigabefore a perfect system for the promulgation ty who placed this whistle on the table is thinkstead, she says something like this: ing of making a change of some kind-who brought this?" A young man says it is his.

"Do you, sir, think of going away?"

"Well, I see a change for you anyhow, and they tell me it will be in a two something-two days, two weeks, or two months. They also tell me that you have had some trouble recently with a light-complected man you are in business with, and that you must beware or he will

The young man says he is not in any business only looking for a job, and knows no light-com-

"Well," says the medium, "you will know him before long. Now I see you perfectly and distinctly standing before the mirror brushing your hair, and you are thinking about coming to this meeting. The time is just twenty minutes past seven. Is that true, sir?"

principles, along which lines the teachers should will C. Hodge, Dr. Dean Clarke, Moses Hull, Prof. brush his hair and think of going to the meet-The young man bashfully admits that he did

speakers have wasted a good deal of time and tleman instinctively puts his hand to his wellthe Church to the neglect of our own household. combed, cosmetised hair, but answers in the thanking the young man for recognizing the dogmas are vain or improper, for there are yet mountains of darkness to be lighted by the intellectual flashes from the advance guard of it is often over-done or done without any other of the silk-tracing it back to the ugly worms object than to make a hit and a sensation, if a kid glove, to the playful kid as it gambols which usually takes with superficial audiences. on the hillside, the chances are that no reference whatever will be made to the article itself, but a few generalities given, as applicable to ly to lose laurels and win censure from his friends and illustrate the prophecy that "o whom does this article belong?" locates the officers, defining their duties, collecting revenue, man's foes shall be they of his own household." person seeking a test, and the rest is comparatively easy for anyone of ordinary intelligence without the assistance or intervention of any

To the psychic student and honest truthseek-There is no doubt but that the articles thus Such is the nature of those referred to. The read form a connecting link of some kind beit is difficult to tell just what limit the trustees of the association may define when attempting we can not run and jump let us walk." This tracted to us through a pocket handkerchief or has the right ring. The old way of manufac- a glove, what is the law back of it all? The National Association, in reply to the question turing evidence to suit prejudice or caprice, or writer has known mediums to ask persons in a to make a point against a heretic and blind the private circle to give them some article to plous people to the real character and force of "read" in order to give tests. Now, why could a critic, a skeptic, or an opposing sect is pass. not the medium get just as much "magnetism" ing away - has already passed away in a large from the individual by taking his or her hand area of religious life-and Spiritualists inherit- as by taking a glove and turning it wrong side a ing the old tendencies should welcome any crit- out in order to get the personal magnetism of icism that brings them to their senses and to a the wearer of the glove? If it is absolutely necessary for a medium to come in contact with Brother Bach's "Query that wants a reply" is something belonging to an individual before in a good vein and to the point, and should be giving a communication from a spirit, where is read and pondered by all who desire to be just the independent mediumship we hear and read

to agree. Among them is that of education.
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